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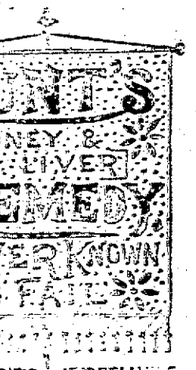

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MY LADY'S MONEY

By WILKIE COLLINS

AN EPISODE IN THE LIFE OF A FOOLISH GIRL.

CHAPTER XVII.

Events succeeded each other rapidly after the memorable day, to Isabel, of the luncheon at Chiswick.

On the next day the ninth of the month, Lady Lydiard sent for her steward and requested him to explain his conduct in presuming to lend a thousand pounds without asking any reason for the advance. She did not dispute his claim to the freedom of action which would have been natural to an ordinary servant. Her objection to his present course of proceeding was entirely owing to the anxiety in which it was involved, and to the unnecessary secrecy in which the whole affair was left as to the hour of his return. On these grounds she thought herself entitled to an explanation. Moody's habitual reserve strengthened on this occasion to the point of obstinacy. If he set out on his journey without having satisfied his employer, Isabel would be the sufferer. Lady Lydiard might be angry with him, but she would not dismiss him from her service. Moody was fully entranced by his duty to grant him a delay of a few weeks before he entered on his explanations. Lady Lydiard's much tempered resolution this time was that Mr. Hardyman should be informed of the circumstances, and should be left to act as he thought right. Moody's resolution was not to be moved by any persuasion whatever. He was firm as a rock. Lady Lydiard rose from her chair, and left the room in despair.

Moody wisely took time to consider before he committed himself to a decision. In the meantime he sent a note to Hardyman, asking for an interview. Hardyman's reply informed him that the head clerk was absent from his office, and that no business could be done in his absence. Moody's resolution was taken. He wrote a letter to Isabel, and left it at the door of Hardyman's office.

Hardyman was not a man who yielded easily, even in trifles. In a moment of the keenest interest, where concealment or deception was concerned, he was capable of any length of resistance. He was quite ready to see Moody, but he was not ready to receive him at the office. He was engaged to dine with Lady Lydiard that day, and he would see Moody at her house in the evening. Moody's answer was a surprisingly decisive refusal to accept these terms.

Lady Lydiard took the earliest opportunity of acknowledging the receipt of Miss Pink's letter. She was not in the habit of writing to Miss Pink, and she was not aware that Miss Pink was in the habit of writing to her. But she was glad to hear that Miss Pink was well, and she was sorry to hear that Miss Pink's cat was ill. She was sure that Miss Pink would make her excuses to Mr. Hardyman for not writing to him herself. Lady Lydiard was much engaged at present, and was very much troubled by the conduct of Mr. Hardyman in refusing to dine with her. She was at a loss to imagine what could have happened to offend him. Miss Pink's letter was the only one that she had received by the morning's post. She begged to remain, Miss Pink's faithful friend and servant, Arabella Lydiard.

Returning to the subject on the next day, Lady Lydiard informed Miss Pink that Mr. Hardyman had written to her, and had explained his conduct. He had been obliged to leave London on business of importance. He had left his address at his office, and he would be absent for a few days only. Lady Lydiard was glad to hear that Miss Pink's cat was better, and was sorry to say that Mr. Hardyman's dinner party was put off.

Miss Pink's reply was received by Lady Lydiard on the following day. It was addressed to "Miss Pink. The first line informed Lady Lydiard that Miss Pink was very glad to hear that Mr. Hardyman was not ill. Miss Pink was very glad to hear that Lady Lydiard was not ill. Miss Pink was very glad to hear that Lady Lydiard's dinner party was put off. Miss Pink was very glad to hear that Lady Lydiard's cat was not ill. Miss Pink was very glad to hear that Lady Lydiard's cat was better. Miss Pink was very glad to hear that Lady Lydiard's cat was not better. Miss Pink was very glad to hear that Lady Lydiard's cat was not worse. Miss Pink was very glad to hear that Lady Lydiard's cat was not dead. Miss Pink was very glad to hear that Lady Lydiard's cat was not buried. Miss Pink was very glad to hear that Lady Lydiard's cat was not skinned. Miss Pink was very glad to hear that Lady Lydiard's cat was not stuffed. Miss Pink was very glad to hear that Lady Lydiard's cat was not hung. 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Lady Lydiard began to acknowledge the receipt of Miss Pink's letter, but she was interrupted by Miss Pink herself, who was announced as having called by appointment. Lady Lydiard was surprised, but she was also relieved. Miss Pink might make her excuses to Mr. Hardyman. Lady Lydiard was engaged in writing a letter to Mr. Hardyman when Miss Pink entered the room. She begged to inquire whether Mr. Hardyman had gone to the country on business connected with the affairs of Lady Lydiard. Lady Lydiard replied that she was unable to answer the question. Miss Pink begged to remark that Mr. Hardyman's absence was a subject of general interest. Lady Lydiard begged to remark that she was not aware of it. Miss Pink begged to remark that Mr. Hardyman's absence was a subject of general interest to the whole neighborhood. Lady Lydiard begged to remark that she was not aware of it. Miss Pink begged to remark that Mr. Hardyman's absence was a subject of general interest to the whole neighborhood, and that she was not aware of it. Lady Lydiard begged to remark that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it. Miss Pink begged to remark that Mr. Hardyman's absence was a subject of general interest to the whole neighborhood, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it. Lady Lydiard begged to remark that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it. Miss Pink begged to remark that Mr. Hardyman's absence was a subject of general interest to the whole neighborhood, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it. Lady Lydiard begged to remark that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it. Miss Pink begged to remark that Mr. Hardyman's absence was a subject of general interest to the whole neighborhood, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it. Lady Lydiard begged to remark that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it. Miss Pink begged to remark that Mr. Hardyman's absence was a subject of general interest to the whole neighborhood, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it. Lady Lydiard begged to remark that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it. Miss Pink begged to remark that Mr. Hardyman's absence was a subject of general interest to the whole neighborhood, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it. Lady Lydiard begged to remark that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it. Miss Pink begged to remark that Mr. Hardyman's absence was a subject of general interest to the whole neighborhood, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it, and that she was not aware of it. Lady Lydiard begged to remark that she was not aware of it, and

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Smethport, Pa., March 19, 1886.

HON. HENRY SOUTHER, of Erie, will very likely be the republican candidate the coming fall for Judge of the courts of Erie county. If nominated he will certainly be elected, and if elected he will make a most capable and popular judge. His many friends in this section of the State hope that he will "get there."

It is said that ex-Gov. Curtin is the only member who ever occupied a seat in the congress of the United States, who was not a member of any of its committees. When he refused to take the chairmanship of the banking and currency, he also declined to serve on the education committee. He has never met with the committee and recently the vacancy was filled by Speaker Carlisle.

THE Pittsburg and Western railroad is now engaged in relaying the track of its road from Foxburg to its terminus at Mt. Jewett with 56-pound steel rails. New trucks are also being put on the cars nearly as heavy as those of the standard gauge, and cars of a wider pattern are also being put on. By mid-summer the entire road will be in first-class condition. This outlay has been necessitated by the constantly increasing traffic.

THE Wilcox Railroad Company has been organized to construct a road five miles in length, from the Philadelphia and Erie road, near Wilcox, in Elk county to Burning Well. This new road, it is expected, will develop traffic from the product of extensive woodlands and saw mills now and hereafter to be erected. The Philadelphia and Erie Company has advanced funds for the construction of the Wilcox railroad, for the reimbursement of which a certain amount of freight traffic is guaranteed by the new road.

MR. PEARSON'S EXPLANATION.

It is with more than ordinary satisfaction that we publish the following interview between a reporter of the Philadelphia *Record* and Geo. Pearson, Esq., which occurred in Harrisburg on the 11th inst. Mr. Pearson emphatically denies ever having received a dollar of profit from any Orphan School institution and those who know George Pearson best believe that he tells the truth. Mr. Pearson is clerk of the house of representatives of this state, and he has been published all over the state as a member of the syndicate which has been running several of the Orphan Schools at great profit. The following is the conversation between Mr. Pearson and the reporter, as published in last Monday's *Record*:

"What have you to say of the charges made that you are connected with the management and ownership of certain soldiers' orphans' schools?

"Only this: In June, 1885, I acquired by purchase a one-fourth interest in the Chester Springs School; that is all of my connection with those institutions."

"Was this purchase made pending the appropriation bill for those schools before the legislature?"

"No; that bill had passed before I acquired any interest; furthermore I have never received one dollar profit from my investment in that school, either directly or indirectly."

"How do you account for the check books in the Mount Joy school check book bearing your name which you are credited with having received $2,800?"

"When I purchased an interest in Chester Springs I had $4,250 to pay in cash. Of this amount I borrowed it is ex-Senator Wright $2,250. He gave me a check for the amount, which I indorsed to McCullough, from whom we purchased, and for which I gave Wright my note bearing 6 per cent. interest, which he now holds. I don't know whether Mr. Wright's check was on Mount Joy bank or not, but this is the only way I can account for any charge on the Mount Joy books against me."

"How about the remainder against you on the Mount Joy books?"

"I never got it," said Mr. Pearson emphatically.

"Didn't you own any interest in Mount Joy?"

"I never owned any interest in Mount Joy and never realized a dollar from that school in any way whatever. The only school I had any thing to do with was Chester Springs."

"Have you any knowledge of the management of those schools?"

"None whatever. I desire the fullest investigation of my connection with this matter."

Acknowledging Incompetence.

An interview between the president and Senator Eustis, of Louisiana, is published in the Washington *Post*, apparently by authority. It purports to give a conversation between these two Democrats as to the causes of the dissatisfaction now so prevalent in the Democratic party. This is the first time they have met since the well known rupture between them early in the career of the present administration. The course Mr. Cleveland took in regard to the appointments in Louisiana offended Senator Eustis and made clear to him the result of following in the path which the president had marked out. His public declaration of the certain failure which awaited the administration was condemned by a majority of the democracy, but the present situation proves fully Mr. Eustis' sagacity.

The burden of the interview was the great number of incompetent and objectionable appointments to office made by the president. Senator Eustis frankly stated to Mr. Cleveland that these acts had brought against his administration the accusations that it is unequal to its responsibilities, that the influences which control it are reckless or vicious and that the charge would be sustained by the record of the men whom it had honored with its favors. He further told Mr. Cleveland that the burden he had placed upon the democratic party already was greater than it could bear in the coming congressional campaign. The refusal to withdraw those objectionable appointments when their character was made known, Mr. Eustis assured the president, was also making a profound impression upon the people and giving additional proof of the vicious tendencies of the administration.

This is perhaps the most remarkable interview which ever took place between a president and senator of his own party. It must have been a humiliating task for Mr. Eustis to tell Mr. Cleveland that he had failed utterly to discharge properly the duties of his office and that his incompetence had brought disgrace and probable defeat upon the party which had elected him. The only answer the president had to make when the bad results of his own perverse course were pictured to him was: "I don't see how that is to be prevented now." And when Senator Eustis suggested that the bad appointments should be withdrawn the president's reply was silence. As the interview occurred a week ago, and as not one of the objectionable nominations has been withdrawn from the senate, the inference is inevitable that Mr. Cleveland proposes to stand by every worthless appointment he has made, as he stood by Chase and Pillsbury until they were thrust out by an indignant senate, and as he still stands by Morris A. Thomas and others, notwithstanding the complaints with which their bad records have been exposed. If there was anything wanting to prove Mr. Cleveland's incompetency, he seems to be determined to furnish the evidence himself. —Philadelphia *Press*.

The Best Cattle Country.

Where is the best cattle country? Where can cattle be handled or raised with small loss and sure profit and no cruelty? Unhesitatingly I answer in the semi-arid belt. Here are the requirements of a perfect cattle country. Grass to usually start early in the spring, say by the middle of April. The summers should be warm. The winters dry, so that the cattle will not trample their feed into the ground, where the hogs that follow them can not find it. Corn should grow to perfection. The land should be comparatively free from fog and cattle diseases. Such a land is the semi-arid belt, lying between the 97th and 99th meridians, and extending from Dakota to Texas. Within that area fog cholera is almost unknown. The cattle are free from disease. There is plenty of cheap corn. Large crops of millet can be grown on all the land. Wheat is almost a sure crop. The corn stalks, wheat straw, and millet supply the cattle with an abundance of roughness during the winter. All points of the belt are convenient to market. The creeks seldom freeze over solidly, and the cattle have free access to water. The ground seldom becomes miry, and the cattle's feet are always sound. The business of raising cattle, or of feeding them, in the semi-arid belt is profitable. There are plenty of well bred and intelligent people in the country. The country is healthful. There are good schools in every town. Land may be purchased on reasonable terms, but only the bottom land in the western portion of the semi-arid belt is corn land. The best of corn land, say twenty miles from a thriving town, can be bought for from $20 to $30 per acre. Near the towns good bottom land can be bought for from $30 to $75 per acre. The upland of the western portion of the belt is dear at any price.

The increase in the number of cattle in the semi-arid belt during the five years last past has been most remarkable. As long as wheat sold at remunerative prices the farmers did not pay much attention to cattle-growing. But when the price of wheat began to fall, and the value of cattle to increase rapidly, they realized that it was no longer wise to burn their straw, or to devote corn land to wheat culture. To show how closely intelligent men who are engaged in the same business employ the same methods of thought and arrive at the same conclusions, I instance the farmers of Kansas. Up to the autumn of 1881 calves were freely sold by those men. After the crop of calves of 1882 was born, it was rare to see veal hanging in a butcher's shop. Almost all the calves born in the semi-arid belt of Kansas since 1882 have been raised. Last spring, when travelling in Kansas, in a region where but few cattle were held three years ago, I saw small herds of cattle in every barnyard. The statistics of Kansas for '83 show that there were 1,501,348 in the State in the spring of that year. There are about 2,500,000 in the State now. There has been a similar increase in Nebraska; and there has been an astonishing increase since 1882 in the number of cattle in the five corn States —amounting now to 13,000,000.—Frank Wilkeson, in *Harper's Magazine for April.*

Cleveland Without Friends.

For the first time in our history, perhaps, the executive of the government is next to friendless with the senate and members of both political parties. President Johnson had the majority of the republicans against him, but he preserved the support of an efficient minority of these, and had the countenance or sympathy of most of the democrats. Cleveland, so far as I can see, has no attached friends at all, and only a few defenders. It is well known that some twenty two senators went out to the Chicago convention in favor of President Arthur's renomination. It would be hard to find a single senator of the democracy who would go to a national convention in favor of Cleveland. In his cabinet council it is the rumor and affirmation that to receive of any body crossing his views, and abuse invariably smiles them at the last and has his own way. He deals lights in treating, occasionally, obscure people with favor, in order that he may emphasize his treatment of distinguished people meanly. We have so many mean people in this country who enjoy the smiles and jeers of a tyrant, that the public men of the democracy are generally at a disadvantage here. Most of this matter which goes out adds to the President's rougher gaps larity, and increases his self-esteem. Said a distinguished democratic statesman to me: "A fellow driving in a circus and cracking his whip over the animals he has trained to do his tricks could not enjoy the task more than Cleveland. He is going to give us a great deal of trouble. He seems to have formed the view that he was not popular with his party, and that therefore he would break them all up. He is a hard, sardonic, yet pretty astute man. Of national affairs he knows nothing. He does bring, however, to Washington the system he has used in municipal and other offices he has filled before, antagonizing the politicians and getting for himself all the praise. He considers himself, probably, a man of destiny, not obliged to use the ordinary courtesies and receptivities of life, and he is not striving for the usual objects of government, but to make for himself the reputation of having been hard enough and smart enough to look on the legislative end of the capital with contempt. —*Cobb in The Cincinnati Enquirer.*

ANOTHER good democrat fallen. It is an employe in the United States Treasury, and he was only appointed last January. He had charge of the silver dollars after they were weighed and ready to put in the little bags to be stored away. The silver dollars are weighed out in $100 for each bag, and then the men are employed to put them in the bags, tie them up, and some one carries them off. The young man has been, it is charged, in the habit of dexterously swatting the fingers so that he made a dollar slide up his sleeve, or wherever he wanted. His handling of [illegible] and lifting the bag the way [illegible] dollar would not be noticed. [illegible] a few days since, by chance, [illegible] was caused by his actions, and a bag he had filled was weighed and found under-weight. The man was searched and the dollars were found on his person.—*Telegraph.*

In THIS part of the country, where money is paid for labor and nearly every description of thing is bought and sold, no one has ever heard expressed the slightest objection to silver, or a petition to have silver coinage stopped or diminished. On the contrary, as Wall street and the haunts of the money kings in the cities are approached, the demand and the cry against silver are heard. The commonest mind can perceive the argument and make no mistake.—*Pittsburg News.*

CONFIDENCE AND ITS RESULTS.

A letter from a southern state expresses joy at sight of the *Tribune*'s confidence and hope in the future of the country. They are never heard here," the writer sadly adds. In a newspaper from the same region comes a lamentation because, after all those years of peace, capital and enterprise do not pour into that state, and develop its marvellous resources. If the editor and his political friends had not suppressed the voices and the votes of the republicans about him, he would not have had cause for wonder or lamentation. Cannot he understand that free men do not care to go where free speech is not tolerated?

To democrats of the south, it seems to be a matter of perennial astonishment that the outside world cares to have but little to do with them. But if they would talk frankly with their nearest republican neighbors, they would learn what the trouble is. Men whose help is worth anything in building up a state and developing its resources, men of energy and brains, force of character and broad information, do not want to live where bourbonism prevails. There are a thousand reasons. Such men care for their families, and especially for the education of their children, and they know that under southern bourbonism the free school system is not fostered. They want fair chances in life for themselves and their boys, and they know that where free speech is dangerous, and free and honest elections are not held, men of their sort have no chances. Australia or Canada, Washington or Arizona, offer more inducements to such men than those states in which bourbonism rules supreme.

The republicans of the south have been telling their neighbors these things for twenty years. But the bourbon is a bourbon; he neither learns nor forgets. With eyes in the back of his head, fixed on the resolutions of '98 and the Dred Scott decision, and with the "furled banner" always in his hands, the southern bourbon spurns the advice of all republicans, rejects civilization and progress by his spirit and his methods, endures with grim patience the depression of industry which democratic rule inevitably brings, delights to honor the man who shoots down his neighbor at sight in some "personal difficulty," heads a lynching party if anybody is arrested of crime or of outspoken republicanism, and then wonders why capital does not come to open mines and build mills, and to make farms more profitable. Any southern republican could tell him that lawless countries are always poor, because capital will not go where it cannot count upon the protection of just laws fairly enforced.

This year the southern republicans have another opportunity to present these truths to the voters of several states. They ought to have and will have the hearty sympathy and aid of republicans at the north. Their lot is a hard one; their struggles in the past have been heroic. But they are contending for principles which are necessary to the prosperity of every self-governing state. Northern men cannot afford to forget that congressmen from the south have a large share of power to make laws for the whole country, and that the cause for which southern republicans contend against great odds is the cause of the people in all the states alike. —*Tribune.*

Rev. Smith's Temperance Speech.

Rev. T. J. Smith colored, of Pittsburgh, editor of the *Brumbler*, lectured on temperance at the W. C. T. U. Hall in that city on Sunday evening. His speech was a genuine surprise to those present, and at its close about fifteen persons stepped forward and signed the pledge. Below will be found a synopsis of his remarks:

"I'm the only black man in this room, and I known I look odd, and I declare I feel like a lump of coal in a barrel of eggs; but I'm as straight as a loon's leg on this temperance question, sure as you're alive and listening. I can't help my looks. I know lots of people will say: 'Oh, his hair kinks and his heel is long,' but can I change that at this late day? The good Lord who made you made me too. I am just as I am, and I can't be no nuther. But against the curse of this land, rum, that long heel of mine backs up a hard kicking foot. I have experienced the tortures of the drunkard, and it is just as horrible to me as it is to the man with the fair skin. I have helped to lay a life long friend in a drunkard's grave, and have felt all the terrible remorse that comes to a man on occasions like that.

"Away down in old Virginia, on the banks of the beautiful Rappahannock, I first opened my eyes on this world. The first sound I heard was the soughing of the wind as it rustled the branches of an old apple tree against the cabin window. It made beautiful music. The next sound I heard was the rumble of machinery in a brewery, situated on the opposite bank of the river. I don't think I liked that rumbling sound very well, but I grew to like it far better than God's music that I heard in the old blossom-loaded apple tree. There were many young boys in the neighborhood—I think eighteen altogether. At any rate, we visited the brewery so often that when we grew up all of us were sots. I have had nearly all of them in drunkards' graves, and was pretty near getting there myself. But I caught up thank God, and I don't intend to let loose, either. I have drank liquor of all kinds in pretty near all states—so I speak from experience. I have blisted in rum in Boston at $1 a drink, and have filled up in Canada where you could get it two for five, and good whisky at that. I have had delirium tremens in Virginia, and have wrestled weeks at a time with the 'Brooklyn boys' in Ohio. Many a night I have awoke and found my wife kneeling down on the threadbare carpet, and have heard her ask the Great Father to save her poor, old, black husband. And I thank Him now that He heard those prayers. It is never too late to stop. I never pass a saloon but I feel like doing a little cussing.

"But I don't do it, because I'm a kind of a one horse preacher, and it would look bad. I just walk away feeling like the old Quaker did who saw his bread rimmed but go skipping away from him before a strong gale of wind. He hired a small boy to cuss for him. Saloons thrive, however, and always will as long as there are so many lah-de-da young snipes who, while they can't find money enough to pay their wash-woman for procuring them a boiled shirt, can always find enough to fill up on gin cocktails, whiskey punches and mint juleps. It's a mystery to me how any young lady can allow one of these fellows to hug and kiss her when he comes looking for a wife. And now, in conclusion, let me say that anybody can stick to the pledge that wants to. When I signed seven years ago, old Dr. Wells, God bless him! grasped me by the hand and said: 'I know this nigger will stick,' and that nigger's sticking sure. And so can anybody stick."

About [illegible] persons signed the pledge.

Refuse to Save the Dog.

While the fire was raging on Sunday morning in the Stewart building, at Main and Kennedy streets, the attention of a number of sympathetic citizens was drawn to a dog that was visitors was drawn to a dog that was visiting on the second story window of the 5th in the second story window of the burning building. The animal gazed all and looked hat on the crowd with the expression of one that had lost all hope.

"Oh! won't somebody please save that dear, noble dog!" said an enthusiastic young woman.

"He's Councilman Greenwald's dog," was the only reply that she got, and the man who knew whose dog it was stolidly kept on pushing through the crowd in a manner that the young woman thought very barbarous and unfeeling.

"Well, if it is Councilman Greenwald's dog that is no reason why it should suffer a horrible death," said the kind-hearted woman, and she pushed her way through the crowd to where a fireman was standing waiting for further orders.

"Won't you please rescue that dog in the photograph gallery?" said she, pointing.

She was very pretty and the fireman immediately became interested in the dog. He seized a ladder and placed it against the burning wall at the risk of his life. Then he climbed till he stood at the top and gazed in through the window, where the dog still seemed to stare death in the face. The sash was down and he smashed the panes in short order. Then, just as he was reaching in for the dog, he drew back and uttered an exclamation of disgust.

The young lady who had admired the noble expression on the dogs face, shouted, "Save him! save him!" but the fireman shook his head, came down and only said as he reached the ground:

"Terra cotta."

"Three cheers for the young lady and the fireman, anyhow," said a bystander. And they were given, too.

Wallace for Governor.

A magnetic candidate is at hand for the democrats, and one capable of arousing the party into its old-time aggressiveness. To this man the politicians are beginning to look for their only chance of salvation. He is Wm. A. Wallace, of Clearfield, and an avowed candidate for Governor. It is believed he can combine the various factional elements of the State and stir the democratic heart into unwonted activity. His great abilities, his distinguished services to his party and the State and his intimate knowledge of politics all commend him to the leaders and masses of the party. It is reported that all of the member of the Pennsylvania delegation in congress are favorable to his candidacy, with the exception of Mr. Scott. His very name will command strength everywhere, and with his nomination the people look to see one of the liveliest political campaigns ever waged in this State.

THE Philadelphia *Weekly Times* will begin next month the publication of authentic histories of the Pennsylvania volunteer regiments in the civil war. These histories will in each case be prepared by a member of the particular organization written about, and they will be more personal sketches of the regiments and their enrollments than a record of the battles in which they fought. Portraits of the chief officers will be given; sketches of what remains of the battle-flags; of monuments erected to their memory, and of the field wherein they won their renown. The aim will be to furnish to every old member of the regiment and to his friends and relatives an accurate and faithful history of the organization in which he served his country with honor, if not always with renown, at a merely nominal price and in a form that can easily be filed and preserved. *The Times'* "War Annals" have long been famous and this new feature of this popular journal cannot fail to be of interest to every old soldier in Pennsylvania.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Valuable Timber Lands for Sale.

200 ACRES in Warrant 3,731, Corydon Township, 5 Acres in Warrant 3,750 Hamilton Township, and 5 acres in Warrant 3,652, Hamilton Township. All in McKean county, Pa. Apply to J. W. BOLTON, Attorney-at-Law, Smethport, Pa.

March 15, 1886-tf

NOTICE.

Whereas letters testamentary to the estate of Caroline Barrett, late of Keating township, McKean county, Pa., deceased, have been granted to the subscribers, all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the estate of the said deceased will make known the same without delay to

ELIZABETH L. BARRETT, Executrix
GEORGE N. BARRETT, Executor

Keating, March 17, 1886—6t.

Court Proclamation.

The Hon. A. G. OLMSTED President Judge, and the Hons. H. HAMLIN and P. M. FULLER, Associate Judges of the court of over and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace, orphans' and court of common pleas for the county of McKean, have issued their precept, bearing date Friday, Feb. 26th, 1886, and to me directed, for holding a court of common pleas, at the borough of Smethport, on Tuesday, the 6th day of April 1886, and to continue one week.

Dated at Smethport, March 15, 1886, and in the 110th year of the Independence of the United States of America.

A. F. BANNON, Sheriff.

Assignee's Sale of Real Estate.

BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER AND DECREE made by the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, I. B. A. Dempsey, assignee of Huff & Ege, for the benefit of creditors, will sell at the Court House, in Smethport, Pa., on

Tuesday, the 6th day of April, 1886,

at one o'clock p. m. to the highest and best bidder all the following described real estate to-wit:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situate on Hamlet's run, in Keating township, McKean county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to-wit: Beginning at the northeast corner of number seven (7) thence south one hundred and fifty (150) feet to the north line of lot number two (2); thence east fifty (50) feet to the southwest corner of lot number one (1); thence north one hundred and fifty (150) feet to the northwest corner of lot number one; thence west by the line of the State Road fifty (50) feet to the place of beginning. Being same premises conveyed to said Huff & Ege by Stephen Bowen and wife by deed dated Nov 24, 1879, and unimproved.

Terms of Sale:—The above property will be sold free and clear from liens and encumbrances and on the following terms: One-third (⅓) of the purchase money to be paid in cash and the balance in two equal payments at three and six months from date of sale, with interest to be secured by judgment bond and mortgage by the purchaser on the premises.

R. A. DEMPSEY,
Assignee of Huff & Ege.

G. L. ROBERTS, Att'y for Assignee.

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at one o'clock p. m. to the highest and best bidder all the following described real estate to-wit:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land situate in the township of Lafayette, in said county of McKean, and state of Pennsylvania, and described as follows to-wit: Beginning at the northeast corner of lot No. 1, in the plan of the village of Elton, Webster survey of Whiting lands, and beginning at the northeast corner of number seven (7); thence south one hundred and fifty (150) feet to the north line of lot number two (2); thence east fifty (50) feet to the southwest corner of lot number one (1); thence north one hundred and fifty (150) feet to the northwest corner of lot number one; thence west by the line of the State Road fifty (50) feet to the place of beginning. Being same premises conveyed to said Huff & Ege by Stephen Bowen and wife by deed dated Nov 24, 1879, and unimproved.

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All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land situate in Bradford, county of McKean and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to-wit: Beginning at the northeast corner of Congress and Kine streets; thence westerly along the line of Kane street ninety (90) feet; thence northerly and parallel with said Congress street, forty (40) feet; thence easterly ninety (90) feet to said Congress street; thence along the west line of said Congress street forty (40) feet to the place of beginning. Being the same premises conveyed to H. B. Huff by Chas. M. Newell and wife by deed dated May 28, 1882, and recorded in the recorder's office of McKean county, Pa., in deed book, Vol. No. 17, page 349, &c., and having thereon a one story frame cottage and outhouses.

Terms of Sale:—The above property will be sold free from liens and encumbrances and on the following terms: One third of purchase money to be paid in cash and the balance in two equal payments at three and six months from date of sale with interest to be secured by judgment bond and mortgage by the purchaser on the premises.

R. A. DEMPSEY,
Assignee of H. B. Huff.

G. L. ROBERTS, Att'y for Assignee.

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Smethport, Pa., March 18, '86—tf

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E. E. BREWSTER, Holly, Mich.

March 12, 1886-1y.

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ALFRED STURDIVENT

Would respectfully announce to his patrons and the public generally that he has moved his Barber Shop into his recently finished and commodious new Marble Front building next door to W. D. Gates' store, Main street, where he is prepared to do

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Farmers' Valley, Nov. 20, 1884. 48-1y

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Stockholder's Meeting.

NOTICE is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bradford and Kinzua Railway Company will be held at their office, No. 13 Mechanic street, Bradford, Pa., on Friday, April 30th, 1886, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year.

JAMES BRODEK, President.

Bradford, Pa., March 9th, 1886.-3w.

Administrator's Notice.

ESTATE OF MRS. ANN M. DEGOLIER, DECEASED.

LETTERS of Administration on the estate of Mrs. Ann M. DeGolier, late of Bradford township, McKean county, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to George Martin, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

GEORGE MARTIN, Administrator.

WOLF & GEORGE, Att'ys, Bradford, Pa.

Feb. 26, 1886.-w6.

Farm for Sale.

FARM containing one hundred acres good grazing land. Fine apple orchard also pear orchard that paid nearly one hundred dollars for last season's crop; never failing springs and spring house running through the farm. This is considered one of the most productive farms in the county with dwelling house, milk and corn-house, barn, and horse barn, sugar camp. Will be sold on reasonable terms. Part cash, balance in yearly instalments; may run eight or ten years. The farm is situated three miles from Smethport.

A. REILLY,
Smethport, McKean Co., Pa.

Feb. 24, 1886.-tf.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF FIERI FACIAS issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose at public sale at the Court House in the Borough of Smethport, Pa., on

TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 1886,

at 1 o'clock p. m., the following property:

All the defendant's interest in the following described piece, parcel or lot of land situate in the township of Liberty, McKean county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the northeast corner of land granted to George Martin, formerly of Michael Ward, Lot No. 205; thence east eighty (80) perches to a post corner; thence south fifty (50) perches to a post corner; thence west eighty (80) perches to a post corner; thence north fifty (50) perches to the place of beginning. Containing twenty-five (25) acres and one-half (½) allowance for roads, be the same more or less, being part of Warrant No. 3,654, and being the same premises conveyed to said A. F. Bannon by deed of Edward Frawley and Stephen J. Ryan at suit of Loyal Ward, trustee.

WOLF & GEORGE, Att'ys.

A. F. BANNON, Sheriff.
W. B. CLARK, Deputy.

Sheriff's office, Smethport, Pa., March 10, 1886.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF ALIAS VENDITIONI EXPONAS issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose at public sale at the Court House in the Borough of Smethport, Pa., on

TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 1886,

at 1 o'clock, p. m., the following property:

All the defendant's interest in that certain parcel of land situate in Eldred township, McKean county, State of Pennsylvania, being Lot No. 11, containing 50 acres, considered one of the most productive farms in the county with dwelling house, milk and corn-house, barn, and horse barn, sugar camp. Will be sold on reasonable terms. Part cash, balance in yearly instalments; may run eight or ten years. The farm is situated three miles from Smethport.

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All the defendant's interest in the following described real estate, to wit: All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land situate in the city of Bradford, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point on east side of Mechanic street twenty-four (24) feet south from southwest corner of lot known as the Lord lot; thence south along line of Mechanic street eighteen (18) feet to north-west corner of lot heretofore conveyed to one James W. Bennett; thence east along north line of said Bennett lot one hundred (100) feet; thence south thirty (30) feet to south line of said Bennett lot; thence east by line parallel with south line of lot herein described ten feet; thence north, and parallel with Mechanic street, forty-eight (46) feet to a point twenty-one (21) feet south of said Lord lot; thence west by line parallel with the south line of said Lord lot one hundred and ten (110) feet to the place of beginning. Being same land conveyed to said E. Frawley and S. J. Ryan by Laura S. Salesbury and husband by deed dated October 28, 1882, and having thereon erected one two story frame building.

Seized, taken in execution, and will be sold as the property of Edward Frawley and Stephen J. Ryan at suit of Loyal Ward, trustee.

WOLF & GEORGE, Att'ys.

A. F. BANNON Sheriff.
W. B. CLARK, Deputy.

Sheriff's office, Smethport, Pa., March 10, 1886.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF ALIAS VENDITIONI EXPONAS issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose at public sale at the Court House in the Borough of Smethport, Pa., on

TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 1886,

at 1 o'clock, p. m., the following property:

All the defendant's interest in that certain parcel of land situate in Eldred township, McKean county, State of Pennsylvania, being Lot No. 11, containing 50 acres, considered one of the most productive farms in the county with dwelling house, milk and corn-house, barn, and horse barn, sugar camp. Will be sold on reasonable terms. Part cash, balance in yearly instalments; may run eight or ten years. The farm is situated three miles from Smethport.

A. REILLY,
Smethport, McKean Co., Pa.

Feb. 24, 1886.-tf.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF FIERI FACIAS issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose at public sale on the premises, on

MONDAY, MARCH 29, 1886,

at 10 o'clock p. m., the following property:

All the defendant's interest in and to all the following described real estate situate in Liberty township, McKean county, Penn'a, being in centre of the Limbbridge road, where the west line of Lot No. 175 crosses said road; thence along the centre of said road, north 58½ degrees, east 50 perches to a post; thence north 12 degrees, west seventy-four (74) perches; thence west 39 8-10 perches to the west line of said Lot No. 175; thence south by west line of said Lot No. 175 one hundred perches to the place of beginning. Containing twenty-three and four-tenths acres of land strict measure. Improved, and having erected thereon one water saw mill in good running order; also one large frame barn, with sheds attached. Premises well fenced, and in good state of cultivation; together with right to dam, race and water-course on Limbbridge creek, leading to said saw mill; right of floating logs, full ingress and egress through adjoining lands, reference being had to the full rights of easement granted by Benjamin Stone and others, by deed recorded in Deed Book of McKean county, Vol. 16, page 7, &c.

Seized, taken in execution, and will be sold as the property of Edward Frawley and Stephen J. Ryan at suit of Loyal Ward, trustee.

WOLF & GEORGE, Att'ys.

A. F. BANNON Sheriff.
W. B. CLARK, Deputy.

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All the defendant's interest in that certain parcel of land situate in the township of Annin and Liberty, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded as follows: Beginning at a post, the north-west corner of Lot No. 182, land formerly of Joseph Ames; thence north fifty-four and six-tenths perches to the north-east corner of land of Charles W. Barr; thence north fifty-four degrees, east nine-ty-nine perches to the west line of Keating lands; thence along said west line south one hundred perches to a post, the north-east corner of Lot No. 182, late land of H. P. Brawley, Deputy; thence along north line of said Ames' line west eighty perches to the place of beginning. Containing thirty-five and four-tenths acres strict measure. Improved, with one spring of water, dwelling house and barn thereon.

Seized, taken in execution, and will be sold as the property of Erwin Stone at the suit of William B. Smith, et. al.

S. W. Smith, Att'y.

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Sheriff's office, Smethport, Pa., March 9, 1886.

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Smethport, Pa., March 19, 1886

LOCAL AND HUMOROUS.

Plenty of mud!

The sun is now in the vernal sign.

The trout season opens April 1st.

Our merchants did a rushing business on Saturday last.

Our sportsmen are making preparations for a big fox season.

The mill owners in this section have been waiting patiently for their spring freshet.

John Somers of the Ex Change Hotel in East Smethport, is doing a rushing business.

The bicycle riders were out in full force during the pleasant weather of the past week.

Workmen were engaged the latter part of last week in repairing the bridges on the water main.

Mr Fatzinger Worthington is adding to his shut down on the valley on account of a broken main bearer.

E P Hamilton's Law and Land office presents a stylish appearance since the front has been painted.

An excursion train passes over the Olean branch of the N Y & P R R every Thursday.

Our popular merchant W D Graf has had a large coffee and spice mill in the grocery department of his store.

Mr and Mrs Frank King of Bradford have donated several books for use at the poor house. Their generosity is an example which it would be well for others to imitate.

The boring crews who have been hard at work all winter on the Olean chain Instance and Female College Artesian oil well have encountered a hard formation and are making slow progress. It is now down 1,400 feet.

The Bell Telephone Company is preparing to erect a line from Smethport to Mount Jewett. The contractor proposes to carry out his end of the bargain in the course of March or early in April, so that the line will be completed in time for the summer season. We will have something to say at that time in regard to the matter.

Objections have been filed in the United States court to the Pittsburgh syndicate's purchase of the plant of the Lester Artificial Gas Company. The hearing of the objections will be had at Pittsburgh on the 29th inst.

On account of the fact that Prof Jones could not be present on the evening announced by reason of the storm, the lecture on Temperance announced for Friday evening last will be delivered at the Methodist church on Friday evening next.

Our correspondent Prof Jones has been engaged to deliver a lecture on Temperance at the Methodist church on Friday evening next. The lecture will be free to all. Everybody is invited to attend.

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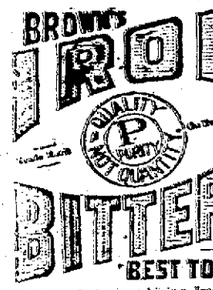

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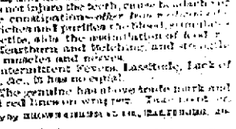

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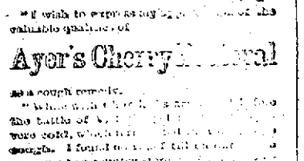

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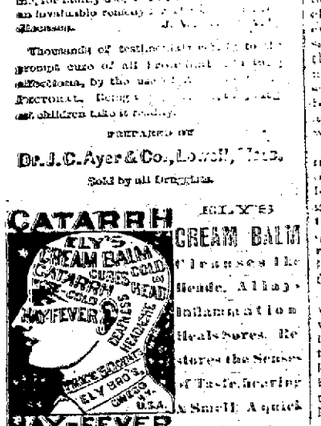

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Will the Gas Supply Fail?

At the meeting of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, held last month at Pittsburgh, a paper on "The Geology of the Pittsburgh Coal Region" was presented by J. P. Lesley, State Geologist of Pennsylvania. In the course of his treatise he made references to the natural gas supply which are at this time very interesting, as the question of the permanency of the supply is manifestly an important one. He says:

"I take this opportunity to express my opinion in the strongest terms that the present exhilaration of oil and gas which is characterized the last twenty years, and will probably characterize the next ten or twenty years, is, nevertheless, not only geologically but historically a temporary and vanishing phenomenon, one which young men will have to see in its results natural end. And this opinion I therefore entertain in very hearty or unreasonable form. It is the result of both an exact and a thoughtful acquaintance with the subject. From the time that Col. Drake sunk the first well on the plains of Titusville I have professionally participated in the history of the oil and gas developments, and believe myself to be familiar with what for the most part and done in the premises, and there is not remain upon my mind a shadow of doubt respecting the practical extinction, in the comparatively near future, of that great commerce in oil, of which the people of Pennsylvania have foolishly take so little and vantages, when they might have accumulated from its sale in all quarters of the world a provision of moneyed wealth unheard of in the history of our race. The opportunity is indeed still offered, but it is steadily diminishing, and in a few years it will pass away as ever to return again. For I am no geologist if it be true that the main mine of oil in the laboratory of nature is still going on at the hundredth or the thousandth part of the rate of its exhaustion. And the science of geology may as well be abandoned as a guide if events prove that such a production of oil in Western Pennsylvania as our statistics exhibit can continue for successive generations. It cannot be, there is a limited amount, and children will merely, and with diffi culty, drain the dregs. I hold the same opinion respecting gas, and for the same reasons, with the difference only that the end will be vastly more sooner, and by all the more hastened by the mad ignition of the gas wells, and of the fire boxes and furnaces to which it is led.

"We can reach but one conclusion namely, that the whole mid-surround of Western Pennsylvania is more or less provided, permeated by natural gas; it is hardly necessary to say that the gas only saturates it free in notable quantities through bore-holes which reach the loose and coarser subterranean layers, through which it can move freely, in communication with its intake, able to enable petroleum and salt water. The gas is undoubtedly evolved from the petroleum, being merely the more volatile ingredients of that fluid, and this is shown by the well-known fact that the petroleum held by rocks near the surface, from which all there are the most volatile elements have readily escaped into the atmosphere, and is, in fact, fractionating oil, while the petroleum obtained from great depths retains all its elements, no chance having been given to the more volatile to escape. The chief thing in the whole world has been so early perfect that in the petroleum has been formed only small at great depths by the fitting of rock strata with oily fluid, even if the rapidities have scarcely yet ...

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An Old Citizen Speaks.

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Twenty-Six Pearls in an Oyster.

(New York Tribune.)

The life of an opener of oysters in a New York restaurant is not filled with romance. His apron girded about his loins, his knife in hand, and his fingers protected by the rubber cone which is the badge of his calling, he repeats day after day the same monotonous performance as often as he hears the enphonious cry, "A plate o' raw." The oysters, be they saddle Rocks or Blue Points, or the plebeian product of the Jersey coast, always present the same appearance. Tempting, to be sure, they look as they nestle in their little beds of pearly shell, but to the opener's mind, dulled by long custom, they only represent parts of "a plate o' raw," and he looks vacantly toward the ceiling as he opens them and thinks of many things which might be but are not.

The other day, however, as an oyster opener in a down town saloon was following the routine of his daily work, something happened, which in his mind will circle oysters with a new significance. He had opened an oyster and was about to place it with its fellows on the plate in front of him, when casting a casual glance upon it wonders of the Arabian Nights' what did he see. Where there should have been only a luscious ready for a hungry customer's consumption, nestled gems which might have adorned the bosom of a princess. One, two, three, four twenty-six pearls, large and small, smiled serenely upon him. Happy oyster opener! Life for him will henceforth have a new significance and every oyster that he looks on will seem to possess unknown possibilities.

Wise Words.

Thoreau, the lover of nature and of all natural objects, exclaimed: "I would rather sit on a pumpkin and have it all to myself than be crowded on a velvet cushion. I would rather ride on earth in an ox cart, with free circulation, than go to Heaven in the fancy car of an excursion train and breathe malaria all the way."

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